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Docket No. 1445.1007/DMP

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Chikaya IKO

U.S. Serial No.:

Examiner: Unassigned

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Group Art Unit: Unassigned

For: DIGITAL CAMERA FOR MICROSCOPE AND MICROSCOPIC SYSTEM PROVIDED
WITH SAID CAMERA

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please **REPLACE** the paragraph at pages 14 and 15, line 1, with the following paragraph:

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--Fig. 5C shows an example of a reduced ambient illuminance which is so-called a shading. The shading is a phenomenon that the brightness is decreased in proportion to the distance from the center of the optical axis. Like the geometric aberrations such as a distortion